

Do Not Forget Monday, July 16, is the Last Day to Enter for Standing Field Crops Competition

REAL PROHIBITION IS NOW IN FORCE UNDER NEW LAWS

Lid Is on Hard in Alberta After
Three Days of Grace.

WHAT PROVISIONS OF ACT CALL FOR

One Quart of Spirits and Two
Gallons of Malt Is
The Limit.

The lid is on now in Alberta good and hard. The new amendments to the liquor act were scheduled for July 1, but three days of grace were given in which the dealers and mail-order houses were allowed an opportunity to close up business, and beginning with July 4th the new regulations became effective in toto. Under the amended act as now in force it is not permissible for any person in Alberta to keep liquor on premises of any kind, in excess of one quart of spirits and two gallons of malt. This automatically rules out everything in the way of warehouses and commission firms, and the several establishments in the city that were doing business under the former system have closed their doors accordingly.

It is also a provision of the new act that there shall be no advertising of any description in the interests of any kind of liquor. This applies not only to newspaper advertising but to the display of electric signs, bill posting, or circularizing by mail, the law expressly stipulating that there shall be no attempt to advertise liquor within the province in any way or form. The receipt of advertising matter by mail from outside the province cannot, of course, be interfered with, and commission houses in the neighboring provinces are improving the opportunity by flooding the mails with 1st of July bargain offers. A further provision of the act is that no canvassing is to be permitted. Express companies are still allowed to carry packages of liquor not exceeding the quantities named, but the government officers now have the right to search the books of the companies, which are to be open for their inspection at all times. It is understood that the express companies are entirely in accord with the spirit of the law, and will facilitate its administration in the way indicated.

Now that the amended prohibition is legally in force, the provincial police department is preparing to administer the law as nearly as possible to the letter. No reports have yet come in from the field, but from this date the enforcement of the act will be, the officials of the department expect, considerably easier and more effective than heretofore. The work of the provincial police since the organization of the force in the early spring, is said to have been as thorough and systematic in regard to the enforcement of the liquor law as in that of any other of the Alberta laws, but difficulties were found in carrying out a strict observance of the act. These have now been largely removed by the new amendments, and the prospects are that Alberta will at last have an opportunity to see what real prohibition is and how it works.

A big convention of Liberals has been called to be held at Winnipeg, August 7th and 8th. Important political and economical questions affecting principally the four western provinces will be discussed.

STANDING FIELDS CROP COMPETITION

Make Your Entry on or Before
Monday, July 16th.

In the Irma Agricultural Society standing field of seed grain and garden vegetables competition, the following prizes will be offered: 1st \$80, 2nd 20, 3rd 12, 4th 8, 5th 5, for each class as follows:

Wheat, Oats, Barley, 10 acres each, field roots, 1 acre, garden vegetables, 1/2 acre.

The judges will be supplied by the Seed Branch, Provincial Department of Agriculture.

Entrance fee \$3 for each entry. If less than five entries in one class the class will be cancelled and entry fees returned. Entries close July 16th. For entry forms apply to F. W. Watkinson, Sec.-Treas.

Competition open to all members of the Irma Agricultural Society and fields must be within 20 miles of Irma.

U.F.W.A.

The usual monthly meeting was held in the Irma school house on Saturday, July 7th, 1917. Mrs. W. H. King, President, in the chair. There were about 20 members and visitors present.

Mrs. G.N.C. Higginson read a very instructive paper on first aid with demonstrations after which a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded her.

Mrs. C.A. Toll read her report of the convention, though the reading of this report was late in forthcoming the concise nature of it gave the members a very good idea of what had taken place.

Some useful recipes were given in answer to the roll call.

At the next meeting to be held on Saturday, August 4th, Mrs. R. M. Harper will read a paper on canning fruit. It is hoped that all the ladies in the Irma district will make it a point to be present.

The membership fee for this useful institution is only one dollar and Mrs. F.W. Watkinson the Sec.-Treas. will be pleased to enroll any ladies who have not already joined.

IRMA LADIES AID

The next meeting of the Ladies Aid will be held on Wednesday, July 18th at the Irma Parsonage a cordial invitation is extended to all the ladies in the district.

Cows Are Nice.

Cows are a nice thing to have about. They look nice. They are useful. They wake you up early in the morning bawling to be milked. They tell you when there is going to be a change in the weather. They are responsible for the cream that you use in your tea every meal, the butter that you use on your bread. Usually they live a useless life unless sold to the stockyards and get knocked in the head to become converted into Ayrshire breakfast rolls. Yes they are a nice thing to have. And your neighbor will agree with you that they are nice, but he would like you to keep them out of his garden. If he spends many weary hours with his back bent trying to plant a bed or so of onions, etc., he expects to call his friends in for a feed soon, and doesn't want his choice head of cabbage that he was saving for the fare eat by your cow. If you would produce good, neighborly feelings and sweet dispositions all around, hobble your cow.

Review of the Week in Locals.

A courtesy appreciated by your guests is to have their visits mentioned in the local. Whenever you go away your friends will be interested to learn of your visit through this page. Send them to us as well as other items of news value.

Mr. Greyham returned to Edmonton last Saturday.

Mr. W. A. Toll visited the Capital last week.

Irma Times—A live paper in a live town at \$1.50 per year.

Do not forget that the entries for the Standing Crop Competition close on Monday July 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Love and the Misses Irene and Grace Love left Irma by motor on Sunday last for Medicine Hat. They intend to take in the Stampede at Red Deer on the tour.

A great number from the Irma and Jarow district are visiting Edmonton this week for the fair. The day excursion on Tuesday was well patronized. The majority are putting in the week at the Capital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Renwick entertained a large party of friends at their ranch, on Friday last, in honour of Miss Renwick's 16th birthday. About forty friends were present. Lunch and Ice Cream was served a-fres-co and a very enjoyable time was spent. Miss Dorothy was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

Special Prize Irma Fair.

The special prize given by Steele Briggs for the Irma Fair is as follows, not as printed in the prize list by mistake.

Class A
\$6 to be awarded to the exhibitor obtaining the most points at the Irma Fair from the products of Steele Briggs garden seeds in the following four classes for which the Society provides prizes:

Collection of vegetables, Cabbage Beets round and Carrots short or intermediate.

In scoring eight points will be allowed on collection and two points on each of the other classes.

WANTED

For-murder of Constable Duncan, of Calgary. Two men. They left Hardisty Monday, July 9th, riding a bay horse. I man is short with grey hair and mustache, the other tall, slim, light hair and fair complexion.



ONTARIO'S VETERANS GO ON THE LAND.
Scene at the arrival to Toronto of Ontario's first party of returned soldiers who left this week to take up farming on their land grants in the bush of Northern Ontario. Hon. W. D. McPherson, head of the Military Hospitals Commission, who is seen addressing the soldier-farmers, is hopeful of inaugurating a great movement which shall dispose of the problem of handling able-bodied but restless hundreds of thousands returning from Europe later.

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT TERSELY TOLD BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS

Jarrow

Carl Olf has taken a carload of pure bred cattle to Washington, U. S. A.

Harvey Dennison was an Edmonton visitor on Saturday.

Where did all the rice come from that is on the station platform?

Earl Moore is taking in the Edmonton fair this week.

Mrs. Holloway is intending to spend a couple of days at the Fair this week.

The Ladies of Jarrow cleared \$117 at their Red Cross stand on Saturday 7th.

They must be having a big time at the Edmonton fair to judge from the number of people going.

Mr. Whidden as road foreman is getting the holes and ruts filled up along the road north of Jarrow. Now watch the autos spin.

The Ladies Aid of Jarrow is going to give an entertainment and box social on July 27th. Everybody come with well filled baskets.

There were \$484 raised in Jarrow July 2nd, for the Red Cross fund. Mr. Lameax giving a heifer to be sold and Mr. Olf and Mr. Conley giving a hog each. Mr. Kirkus bought the heifer and gave it back to the Red Cross.

There is a meeting called to form a Red Cross Society in Jarrow, at the home of Mrs. Holloway July 18th.

Wainwright.

Magistrate P. E. Ross measured out two pretty stiff fines to J. J. Creighton, proprietor of the Wainwright hotel last Monday. He was fined \$175 for assaulting the policeman in the prosecution of his duty in searching the building, and \$100 and costs for selling liquor. This time the magistrate secured the evidence of a man who had been found drunk on the premises and who swore to having been sold drink by Creighton.

D. A. McDougall, a well-known farmer in this district had a very narrow escape from death Monday, being kicked in the head by a colt. Mr. McDougall was leading the animal out to pasture when the accident occurred. He was for a time unconscious. A physician when called had to put eight stitches in the deep wound which had been left in the shape of the horse's hoof. Mr. McDougall is progressing rapidly towards recovery.

The latest organization in town is the Buffwright Land company. The syndicate is composed of business men of the town of which Mayor Greer is the president, W. E. Mell, secretary, and H. C. Munn, treasurer. They have purchased a section and a half of land three miles north of town and already have a big gasoline plowing outfit at work.

Lion Escapes from Circus at Vegreville July 2nd

While the big Patterson and Gollmar Bros. combined circus was giving a performance at Vegreville on July 2nd, one of the lions escaped from the cage while being moved. It ran out of the tent and attacked a cow grazing near the tent. It wounded the cow before being captured and put behind the bars again. It was fortunate that the lion only attacked a cow, and spared the hundreds of men, women and children inside of the tent.

Lewisville

Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Smith have moved to their homestead 2 miles west of Irma.

Mrs. J. Grant of Vancouver, and Mrs. R. Blackstock of Hardisty, spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. S.P. McIntyre.

We welcome Mrs. Gower and family to our district. Mr. Gower has been here for some time.

D. W. Hutchison, James Varos, Louis Hansen and Robt. Quinn drove to Sedgewick on Saturday July 7th.

Mr. A. Bewley and Mr. J. Ward attended the Chautauqua in Hardisty on Monday evening.

Robert Blackstock has purchased the SW 1/4, 6-44-8 west of 4, known as the Leavitt place.

The crops in this district are badly in need of rain, although it rained on the 4th with some hail. There was not enough to last very long in this hot sunshine.

A Sunday school will be organized in Lewisville school on Sunday July 15th at 2 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend and help the good work, there are quite a number of children here and a good attendance of parents and friends would make a success of this much needed work.

C. A. Kerling the Rawlston man called on everybody in the flats this week. He tells us it is just one more trip amongst us, we will be sorry to loose so genial a salesman, but Mr. Kerling assures us that he is leaving the business in good hands, and his successor will follow in the usual routine of trips.

We had very bad luck as far as sports at our picnic was concerned for it rained all day up until 3 o'clock. There was two games of baseball between North Hardisty and Rocky Ford teams, both games going to Rocky Ford; first: 18 to 12; second: 6 to 4.

There was a large crowd at Mr. H. T. Reber's barn at the dance at night, and they all danced until daylight in the morning. Music was furnished by Julius Crozier, and J. Henderson of Irma.

Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Hutchison spent Monday in Hardisty at the Chautauqua and enjoyed a good programme of music and listened to some stirring lectures. Mr. R. McDonald is well known to all Canadians and as he has travelled the world and delighted hundreds of audiences. Hardisty is to be congratulated on being able to hear such a noted baritone singer. Mrs. McDonald accompanies him and is a pianist of note. The lectures by J. Sherman Wallace was indeed very impressive. "The Worlds greatest need," or Does Education Pay?" and if all our people could have heard him give facts and figures of how education in large places help the boy and girl to succeed in life, there would not be one of our district schools closed for any length of time. Mr. Wallace puts his lecture in pamphlet form and sends to any one who applies, and a copy will come handy shortly, if it would not be too much to ask the editor will get some extracts and figures from this noted lecture. In the evening W.J. Hindley spoke very strongly on "The Reign of the Common People" and was a lecture long to be remembered.



HOLIDAY TIME

CALLS FOR

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SUMMER SHOES

CAN'T trust yourself to slippery leather, in canoe, sail boat or yacht. And, of course, you have to have Fleet Foot Shoes for tennis, baseball, golf and lacrosse. Fleet Foot Pumps or low shoes are the proper accompaniment of Summer apparel. And Fleet Foot Summer Shoes cost so much less than leather, that it is real economy to wear them.



Look trim and neat—enjoy yourself—and save money, by wearing Fleet Foot this summer.

A Slice of Bread

I am a slice of bread.
I measure three inches by two and a half, and my thickness is half an inch.
My weight is exactly an ounce.
I am wasted once a day by millions of people of the United States.
I am the bit left over, the slice eaten absent-mindedly when really I wasn't needed; I am the waste crust, which you collected me and my companions for a whole week you would find that we amounted to thousands of tons of good bread—wasted.
When you throw me away or waste me you are adding just so many salt-marines to the German navy.
Stop it!
Stop fighting for the enemy by wasting me—Cleveland Press.

To The Crown Prince

The Crown Prince wrote to the burgomaster of Berlin after he had reviewed some Berlin troops. "With such troops we can catch the devil from hell." That has already been done by German troops and the devil brought forth has been busy drowning men, women and children who are not engaged in the fighting. In the work of impoverishing France by laying waste her lands and buildings. But what merit is there in bringing the devil from hell. To hell he was consigned by his own misdeeds many thousands of years ago, and in hell he'll stay. If the Crown Prince desires his company let him go where the devil ought to be instead of trying to bring the devil and hell upon earth.—Hartford Courant.

Gypsies Fled to Spain

And Now the Country is Filled With Music of the Wandering Bands

Spain is filled with music. At nearly any hour of night or day one can hear the twanging and twining of musical instruments. The country is overrun by orchestras of Hungarian gypsies.

These bands are among the most famous in Europe. They usually are located in Paris, Monte Carlo, Nice and other centers of gay life. When the war began these players, being Hungarians, had to get out of France or be interned as enemies. If they had returned to Hungary they would have had to put rifles on their shoulders in place of violins. So they all migrated into Spain, filling the country with music.

Spain already had its share of gypsies, relics of the days of the Moors. These greeted the newcomers with open arms. They play together and often hold grand entertainments, at which one of the Hungarian gypsy bands play, an Austrian Polish gypsy singing and a Spanish gypsy dancing. Pastor Imperio, the big queen of the Spanish gypsies who married the king of the bull fighters, Goyito, is one of the star attractions.

It is said the weird, Oriental strains of the eastern gypsies, combining with the wild torador music of the Spaniards, make strange, but pleasing music. A few bars of American ragtime is introduced now and then to give dash to the dancing. The tempo and one-step. This medley of music is heard everywhere, at entertainments, theatres, hotels, concert halls and even in the streets. Spain is crowded with these wandering players.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

A "Lightning Calculator"

A Korean lad, sixteen years old, has had a water presented to him by the Governor-General of Korea, in appreciation of his high mathematical talents. Among other accomplishments he can mentally add a column of twenty-five items of four figures each in seven seconds. This is much less than the time required by the most expert accountants in Japan. The boy's father died two years ago, and he is now supporting his mother, brother, and a sister on 70 sen—37-1/2 cents a day—an unprecedented high wage for a Korean accountant.

YES! LIFT A CORN OFF WITHOUT PAIN!

Cincinnati man tells how to dry up a corn or callus so it lifts off with fingers.

You corn-pestered men and women suffer no longer. Wear the shoe that nearly killed you before, says this Cincinnati authority, because a few drops of the cream applied daily on a tender, aching corn or callus, stops soreness at once and soon the corn or hardened callus loosens so it can be lifted off, root and all, without pain.

A small bottle of freezeone costs very little and will keep you positively take off every hard or soft corn or callus. This should be tried, as it is inexpensive and is said not to irritate the surrounding skin. If your druggist hasn't any freezeone tell him to get a small bottle for you from his wholesale drug house. It is fine stuff and acts like a charm every time.

Preserving Eggs

Valuable Advice Furnished by a Government Expert

Eggs can be preserved in dry salt, lime water or water glass. In order to secure satisfactory results, eggs must be clean, but not washed, and absolutely fresh when put down. In preserving the object to be stored is to exclude air, so as to prevent evaporation of the egg from outside sources. Where eggs are put down in salt they should be set on end and packing should be so done that all parts of each egg will be covered with salt.

In preserving with water glass ten per cent. of the water glass should be mixed with pure water and thoroughly stirred. Ten quarts of the mixture will cover fifteen to twenty dozen eggs. Any good, clean vessel can be used, but it is better to use one of wood, glass or crockery than one of metal. A sweet, clean barrel is good, where fifty dozen or more are to be preserved. A clean, cool, sweet cellar is the best place to put the containing vessel. All eggs must be completely covered by the water glass as long as they are in storage. If some of the liquid evaporates add more water. A good lid or cover on the containing vessel will prevent evaporation.

When water glass eggs are to be boiled stick a needle through the shell at the large end of the egg to prevent the shell from breaking.

Mr. Frank T. Shutt of Ottawa Experimental Farm says lime water is quite as effective as water glass and not so costly. One pound of fresh-burned quicklime is enough for five gallons of water. The method of preparation is simply to slack the lime with a small quantity of water, then stir the milk of lime so formed into the five gallons of water. After the mixture has been kept well stirred for a few hours it is allowed to settle. The supernatant liquid, which is now saturated lime water, is drawn off and poured over the eggs previously placed in a crock or water-tight barrel.

As exposure to the air tends to precipitate the lime (as carbonate), and thus weaken the solution, the vessel containing the eggs should be kept covered. The air may be excluded by a covering of wax or by packing upon which a paste of lime is spread.

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Dodging a Zepp.

A British Submarine Commander Outwitted the Germans

One of the cleverest cases of bluff that has yet come to light was that of a British submarine commander off the German coast. There had been sea and air war on Cuxhaven, at the mouth of the Elbe; and when it was over a British airman was being rescued by a submarine from his seaplane, which had come down on to the surface of the sea and could not rise.

While the rescue act was in progress a Zeppelin flew along overhead, and regarded the scene below rather suspiciously. Nonplussed, the submarine commander waved his hands to the Zepp, so as to give the impression that his was a German U-boat capturing a British seaplane.

This bluffing the Zepp flew away, but being a bit suspicious, returned a little later to make closer investigation. By this time the airman had been got aboard the submarine, the hatch was closed, and the boat dived. It was not long before the Zepp, shut down to the depths the bombs dropped by the infuriated Zepp could be heard exploding in the water overhead.

Outsmarting

A strong plan can be submitted on a little oatmeal and philosophy and out-talk, out-think, out-talk, and every way outdo the person who travels the long way from sense to nuts and goes to sleep afterwards as an anecdote might—Vancouver Sun.

Clean Stomach, Clear Mind.

The stomach is the workshop of the vital functions and when it gets out of order the whole system clogs in sympathy. The spirits flag, the mind droops and work becomes impossible. The first care should be to restore healthy action of the stomach and the best preparation for that purpose is Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. Gentle use will clear the bowels, the leading place in medicine. A trial will attest their value.

The Kindly Germans Are No More

Apologies for the German people, those who are fond of explaining that the people of Germany are the dupes and victims of their rulers and ought to be treated with leniency for their crimes and horrors of which the latter are guilty, are probably not so well qualified to speak with authority on that subject as is James W. Gerard, late U.S. ambassador at Berlin. Mr. Gerard, who lived for several years in Germany, and who says that he reports about them: "The German people are not kinder than the German that your father knew. Old Germany has for many years been buried under the suppurating helmet of Hamilton."

Miller's Worm Powders were devised to promptly relieve children who suffer from the ravages of worms. It is a safe preparation without shock or injury to the most sensitive system. It acts thoroughly and painlessly, and though in some cases it may cause vomiting, this is an indication of their powerful action and not of any nauseating property.

The British Artillery

In the spring of 1915 the Italian artillery, heavy and light, was declared by military critics to be the finest in Europe, while the woeful weakness in artillery of the British army was common talk. Now the British are not only outmarching the Germans, gun for gun and shell for shell, but have heavy artillery to spare to reinforce the Italian batteries. It may take John Bull a long time to reach a certain point, but when he does arrive he gets to the top—New York World.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Catarrh, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts through the blood on the mucous surface of the diseased part. The cure is a simple matter of doing its work. The proprietors have no fault to find in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that cannot be cured. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Druggists Everywhere.

A Soap That Blues Clothes

An Englishman has patented a new laundry soap which he claims will blue clothes while lathering them for washing. It contains talow, caustic soda, and a suitable dye. The question arises as to whether or not articles requiring more soap than others will receive more than the desired amount of bluing, and whether the subsequent rinsing will remove the coloring obtained in the lathering process.

Mrs. Jones—Does my daughter's piano practice annoy your husband?
Neighbor—Oh, yes, all right. I can't tell one note from another!

Sore Eyes

Granulated Eyelids. Eyes inflamed by exposure to Sun, Dusted Wind, Dust, and other causes. Eye Remedy. No Stinging. No Itching. No Pain. Your Druggist's. For Sale at the Eye Specialist's. Druggists or Marion Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

Price-Fixing in Germany

The Complex Problem of Regulating Price of Commodities

Compulsory legislation in Germany has frequently had the effect of stopping prices by artificially making the maximum prices too low. Where the effect was less extreme, evasion was practiced systematically by buyers, who ignored the first price and privately offered more. It was comparatively easy to detect and punish sellers who overcharged, but transactions in which the offence was on the part of the customers were hidden. Furthermore, no penalty attached to the buyer's side.

Whether high prices are natural or artificial, the most effective remedy is to restore the balance either by increasing the supply or diminishing the demand. These are problems of stimulating production, expediting transportation and distribution and substituting commodities that are plentiful for ones that are scarce.—New York Sun.

"I hear your new son-in-law has brains," said a nervous man.
"Brain-lever, did you say?" chuckled the father-in-law. "The poor nut couldn't have any such a sickness. Imagine a jelly-fish having a back-ache."

LINGERING WEAKNESS FOLLOWING DISEASE

Banished by the Wonderful Tonic Powers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

How often victims of disease such as a gripe, fever, or contagious troubles are left weak, ailing and despondent. Such disease it has disappeared. They do not pick up strength as they ought; remain listless, tired and discouraged. The reason is that the blood has been impoverished by the ravage of the disease through which the victim has passed. The blood will not return until the blood has been enriched. The blood can be purified and enriched by no other medicine as quickly and as surely as by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—to enrich the blood and strengthen the nerves is the whole mission of these pills. Thousands have found them beneficial in bringing strength and energy after disease has left them weak and run down.

Miss Hannah Hamilton Everett, Ont., says: "After an attack of a gripe I was so run down and anemic that I could scarcely walk. I had no color, no appetite, and constant headaches. The medicine I was taking was doing me no good and I had almost lost hope of getting better. I was asked to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and it was not long before I could feel that they were helping me, and after taking them for a couple of months I was completely restored. I could feel that they were helping me, and after taking them for a couple of months I was completely restored. I could feel that they were helping me, and after taking them for a couple of months I was completely restored."

80,000 Pounds For Red Cross

Collections in Australia for the Red Cross have amounted to 80,000 pounds (\$400,000). At a great enthusiastic demonstration at the town hall, Melbourne, Premier Hughes made a speech, in the course of which he declared that the heart of Australia beat in unison with the rest of the Empire. They were now able to say with absolute assurance that Australia would "be there."

Protect the child from the ravages of worms by using Miller's Worm Extremities.

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The Useful Coconut

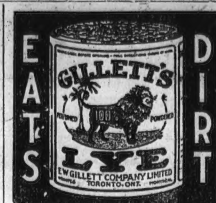
There Appears to Be no End of Uses to Which the Coconut Can Be Put

In the West Indies, Central and South America, the coconut is used chiefly for local consumption, the water from the green coconut being boiled and used for cooling and refreshing, with medicinal values. The leaves from the centre of the top of the tree make an excellent salad and are to be found in all Latin-American markets in the zones in which they grow. The hewn tree serves the natives for a habitation and a roof is made from the gigantic fronds. From the smaller leaves excellent hats of a high grade are fashioned, but few of which reach this country. From some localities ripened nuts are exported in bulk in the holds of ships, often as ballast, to this country, where few concerns are engaged in grating coconut meat for the use of confectioners and bakers.

In the West Indies today a new use has been discovered for this article. Owing to the inability of these islands to sustain the export of citrus fruits, the United States, local housewives are now making their own butter from coconuts, four nuts making a pound of high grade butter, at a cost of less than ten cents, as against sixty-five cents per pound for the imported article.—Leslie's.

Wasting Needed Grain

With flour climbing up to unprecedented prices, grain is still going into distilleries and breweries for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors. Why is it permitted? In the year ending March, 1917, not less than 88,000,000 pounds of feedstuffs were used in manufacturing whiskey alone in Canada. Only three distilleries were engaged in making whiskey, and three were engaged in manufacturing spirits used for munitions. Yet the total output increased, and the consumption of grain increased by 4,000,000 pounds over the previous year.—Saskatoon Star.



What Britain Is Doing

An American Who Says Britain Is Doing More Than Her Share in the War

This is the way Henry Clews, the New York banker, sizes up the present war situation:

"For nearly three years Great Britain, with a population of about 45,000,000, has been carrying the brunt of the battle for freedom. Her share has not only included the most serious loss of life, but she has kept the seas open and free for our foreign trade, the loss of which would have been an incalculable injury to our economic welfare. She has further raised an army of about 5,000,000 men, helped finance her allies to the extent of about \$4,500,000,000 and aided in feeding the starving millions in Belgium, Armenia and Siberia. She is certainly doing more than her share and as we have been the principal beneficiaries, it is but just that we should give active support in return."

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, Etc.

Big List of Attractions

Amusement Features at Moose Jaw Ranchers' Fair Will Be of Exceptional Merit

The amusement features to be provided for visitors to the Ranchers' Fair and Livestock Show, to be held at Moose Jaw, July 17th to 20th, including the largest Midway ever seen in Western Canada, a number of marvellous platform vaudeville and acrobatic attractions, and the performances of a wonderfully intrepid young woman balloonist, Miss Lilla France, promise to excite anything of the kind ever attempted in the Prairie Provinces.

On the Midway the visitor will find, among a large number of other things, a model submarine show, in which a perfect copy of the present death dealing sea weapon is submerged and operated before the visitors' eyes; an enormous Ferris Wheel; a rare exhibition of different specimens of the animal kingdom; a merry-go-round; a good old fashioned darts; a Minstrel Show; a "Fairy Girl," the latest who ever lived; and a large village of the tribe of Phillippo Igorites, the peculiar little people from the Arctic islands, who live on the flesh of dogs, and have such peculiar religious customs. In addition to these, other attractions without number will be there to lure and entertain the visitor, and anyone who would enjoy a most enjoyable amusement together with a great Stampede, horse races, and an agricultural and livestock show, should not fail to come to Moose Jaw for the third week of July.

In addition, if death does not cut short her young life, Miss Lucille Belmont, of Lilla, France, will be seen each day in a death defying, heart throbbing balloon ascension, under man's plucking, with a rope which is only checked by the use of three parachutes. Miss Belmont is today recognized as the world's foremost lady aviator, and her performances here in themselves will be well worth the trip.

Mr. Gotrox—When I was your age I didn't have a dollar.
Cholly Gotrox—Well, dad, when I was your age I probably won't have a dollar.

The Danger Zone for Many Is Tea and Coffee Drinking

Some people find it wise to quit tea and coffee when their nerves begin to "act up."

The easy way nowadays is to switch to

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GERMAN METHODS IN BELGIUM CREATE REAL REIGN OF TERROR

HORRORS OF THE GERMAN INQUISITION REVEALED

A Frightful Account Is Given of the So-called Judicial Methods of the Germans in Dealing With the Persecuted Inhabitants of Stricken Belgium

An interview was had by a representative of Reuters' Agency in London with a Belgian gentleman of high social position, who succeeded in escaping from Belgium, knowing that he was about to fall into the hands of the German secret police. He gives a terrible account of the Germans' so-called judicial methods, which have produced a veritable reign of terror, in many respects resembling the procedure of the Inquisition.

"In a vague way," he said, "the world knows something of German military tribunals; but I doubt if it is realized that something like one thousand citizens are condemned every month for patriotic offences. During the three months preceding June, the last, forty-two Belgian citizens were inflicted in one court alone.

Nobody who has not gone through it can realize the extent of the torture which prevails, owing to the methods employed by the German secret police, and for obvious reasons very few people are able to give any precise particulars.

"A German sergeant was ordered to arrest 'Serjants-Tireurs' in the early days of the war, but he was unable to find any, and not daring to present himself before his chief empty-handed, he simply arrested the first unoffending peasant he met on the road. This sort of thing now happens daily in the campaign of persecution directed against the patriots.

"Large towns like Brussels and Antwerp continue to swarm with spies, and they often visit small towns and even villages where they think there is the slightest chance to prosecute their abominable trade. Occasionally the secret police disguise themselves as escaped French prisoners, or pose as guides ready to help the distracted people to escape through the electric wire frontier. When they have succeeded in gaining the confidence of their victims, they promptly denounce them to the commandant.

"The next stage is the tragedy in prison, from which escape is almost impossible. Every day the victims are visited in their cells, not by judges and lawyers, but by German officers and police spies, who wring confessions from them. I know one man who was cross-examined in this way for eight hours, and then interrogated and almost flogged, until he received the ordeal. The prisoner, refusing to confess, was threatened and struck in the face.

"Some times 'gentle provocators,' disguised as prisoners, mix with the patriots, abusing the Germans and complaining of the manner in which they obtain the sympathy and confidence of their companions, and, if the latter are not ready to trust them, they are promptly confronted with them and obliged to confess their fault. I also know cases where relatives of the prisoners were arrested, and the latter were told that their mother or sister had denounced them.

"Trial is a mere farce. In most cases the defendants may not receive the help of a Belgian barrister. This depends entirely on the attitude of the governor of the district. The usual procedure is for the German clerk, after the indictment has been read, to speak a few words for defence, without having any knowledge of the case. If a barrister does attend the case, he is not allowed to communicate with the prisoner, either in prison or elsewhere, so that it is impossible for him to obtain knowledge of the charges.

"The only way to help the prisoner is to obtain information by bribery from the clerk in charge of the trial, and after the man has been condemned to address a petition to the Governor-General."

Once Rejected by the Czar

Could Not Be Mayor of Moscow Because He Held Liberal Views

It was only four years ago that George Lvoff, the premier of the new Russian government, which has driven the Czar from the throne and put his traitorous pro-German ministers in prison, was told by the Czar that he could not be mayor of Moscow because he was too liberal and democratic in his views as to how a Russian city should be governed. Lvoff has been nominated for the mayoralty and the people of Moscow wanted him in the office because of his reforms. But the Czar, exercising the right he had, over the local affairs of all municipalities, declared that the nomination would have to be withdrawn, and there was no appeal from that decree. Four years were not very long for Lvoff to have his views being able to tell the Czar that he could no longer be a Czar, because he was too liberal and democratic enough.

Big Increase in Crop Areas

A return issued by the census and statistics office of the British government shows the increase that has taken place in the area under crop in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta in recent years. The area under wheat in these provinces in 1906 was 5,620,493, and in 10 years this increased to 13,299,000. During the same period the area under oats was tripled, and under flax more than quadrupled.

Commission to Handle 1917 Crop

Many Interests Represented and Members are Given Wide Powers

The grain handling commission with wide powers. The commission will be composed of:

Dr. Magill, secretary of the Grain exchange, chairman.

H. W. Woods, president of the United Farmers of Alberta.

S. K. Rathwell, grain producer of Moose Jaw.

F. A. Grear, manager of the Grain Growers' Grain Company.

J. C. Gray, president of the Grain exchange, Winnipeg.

W. R. Bawlf, prominent grain dealer and vice-president of the exchange.

W. A. Best, parliamentary representative of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Controller Ainey, of Montreal, a Labor man.

Lionel H. Clarke, of the Toronto Harbor commission.

W. A. Mathewson, western manager of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company.

James Stewart, Canadian representative on the British Wheat Purchasing commission.

The commission will have authority to fix grain prices on shipment from storage elevators, but not the price paid to farmers. They can take orders of purchase from the British and allied governments, and determine what quantity to sell, having regard to Canadian needs, together with the price required. They will further have power to take grain from elevators without the permission of the owners, and fix the price to them and to the purchasers.

They can investigate the storage and circulation of grain, and prevent the restriction of marketing.

On the demand of the commission the railway commission can order grain to be put in any place, notwithstanding anything in the grain act to the contrary. No grain price can be fixed without the approval of the chairman.

Pending the formation of a United States board, the Canadian board will continue to hold in parity with those across the border.

Reduced German Rations

Bread Allowance Cut One-third and There are Now Two Meatless Days a Week

The conditions as to food supplies in Germany may be conjectured from the fact that the ration of bread is now only three-fifths of that which it was at the beginning of the war. The best fed of the German fighting units subsist on a ration of 200,000,000 cubic feet, less than one-tenth is actually in use. Seventeen wells flowing about 170,000,000 feet a day, have been drilled in the Ruhr. The gas being piped 200 miles to the city of Calgary, supplying Lethbridge and Macleod and other towns on the prairie. The gas is being used for power purposes for manufacturing, and where it has been developed is supplied at very low rates.

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Sir George Buchanan, the British ambassador, addressing a great meeting held under the auspices of the Russo-British club, said he had constantly tried to impress on former Emperor Nicholas that the twentieth-century autocracy was an anachronism which could not endure. Russia, the ambassador said, had captured the battle of autonomy by assault in a single week and must consolidate the new freedom.

"If you would keep it," Sir George continued, "not only must you defend it against attacks of the enemy but also drive him from the national territory, in order that your brothers in those occupied provinces may enjoy the same measure of freedom as you enable you to reap the harvest of your revolution the democrats of France and Great Britain have been holding out to you. The main forces of the Germans are shedding their blood not only in defence of their national patrimony, but also in the new-born liberties of Russia. Had they not done so, had the Germans not transferred to the westward large bodies of troops, it might have gone hard with free Russia."

"I look for you now to help to relieve the constant pressure on our front by yourselves taking the offensive and thus bring the war to a speedy end and secure to the world the blessings of a permanent peace."

Old Ranch Changes Hands

One of the old ranches in the Medicine Hat district recently changed hands for the sum of \$120,000. The land included, which is mostly in the Medicine Hat district, consists of more than 70,000 acres. The new owners plan to cut 500 tons of hay on the ranch this year to use for winter feed.

Germans Admit Ship Felling Off

A telegram to the Rotterdam correspondent of the London Daily News, the German reports on the destruction wrought by the submarines in the North Sea, are now falling off, but are becoming more vague in character, being simultaneously put back in less conspicuous places in the German newspapers, the same period the area under oats was tripled, and under flax more than quadrupled.

Another German Peace Drive Soon

The True Issues of the War and What the Allies Must Insist On

It is good news that comes from Washington that the president is soon formally to associate American opinion with that of the Allies in the matter of certain aspects of the war. The only nation in the war that has from the outset clearly, definitely declared for the formula of no annexation and no indemnity is the United States. A recognition by the United States of the justice of the French, Serbian and Belgian title to indemnity, of the French claim upon Alsace-Lorraine and the Italian claim upon Trieste and the Trentino will be a useful contribution to clarify the situation, and it should serve to destroy the latest German campaign for a German peace.

Last winter the German press and the German leaders told their people that peace would come not later than July. That expectation has not been fulfilled. The Allies were bound to make a new attack in the west. They forecasted the defeat of this attack and asserted that the German offensive had been checked there would be an end of all Allied hope of winning the war and peace of pre-emption would follow.

It is clear that the Germans are now making a desperate effort to give at least a semblance of reality to the hopes of peace. Unmistakably we are in the presence of another German peace drive, which is to be stimulated in every possible quarter where German influence or pacifist sympathy exists. We shall find many echoes in the United States, and must look for many manifestations "in states still neutral, like Sweden, Holland and Switzerland."

Today the Germans are endeavoring to make use of Socialist propaganda and Socialist leaders to force between the British and the "black leg" is now being reproduced in the concerted action of the pacifist and the Socialist.

The American people should be clearly in mind what are now the issues of the war. There can be no peace founded on anything which does not start with the proposal by Germany to evacuate all the occupied territory, including Belgium, Roumania, Northern France and Russian Poland. Until Germany makes such a proposal it remains impossible to demand that she is merely attempting to exploit a world-wearyness of war and a universal longing for peace to the end that she may preserve some portion of her booty.—New York Tribune.

Natural Gas

Inexhaustible Supply in Alberta Available for Manufacture

One of the greatest resources of the province of Alberta is the enormous deposit of natural gas to be found in many parts of the province, but especially in the southern section, near Medicine Hat. At Medicine Hat itself there are twenty wells, and in the vicinity of less than 200,000,000 cubic feet, less than one-tenth is actually in use. Seventeen wells flowing about 170,000,000 feet a day, have been drilled in the Ruhr. The gas being piped 200 miles to the city of Calgary, supplying Lethbridge and Macleod and other towns on the prairie. The gas is being used for power purposes for manufacturing, and where it has been developed is supplied at very low rates.

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Tunnelling the English Channel

What the Value Would be Brought Home During War Times

War, that for long years has filled Englishmen's minds with visions of a tunnel, if a tunnel were to be built under the English channel, strange enough has pointed the way to the construction of the English channel tunnel. It has been a tunnel under the English channel, during this war, Great Britain would have been relieved of the task of conveying to and from France the transports and hospital ships which convey men and munitions and maintain and sick to and from the battlefields of France. The allies could laugh at threatening submarines in those waters. All the things the Englishman sees today, and it is more than likely that one of the first great after-the-war engineering feats that will be undertaken will be the construction of the English channel tunnel.

At a recent meeting of the Royal Geographical society in London, Sir Francis Fox explained that owing to the necessity of keeping the tunnel well within the thickness of the great wall of the English channel, the southern limits of England, there would be a slight curve. The maximum depth of the channel would be reached by the tunnel would be from 160 to 180 feet, and the roof of chalk over the structure has been fixed at a minimum of 100 feet to the surface.

The tunnel would consist of two tubes of 18 feet diameter. All the work would be done by electrically-driven machinery, and the water and other operations would be carried on simultaneously at many points, and a record speed would be reached. The tunnel could be worked and ventilated and pumped by electricity from a Kent power-station ten miles away.

The tunnel would have a dip in the level of the rails forming a water-lock by which the tunnel could, in great emergency, be filled with water, and the tunnel could be worked under the gun-fire of the Dover forts. Trains would be run direct from London to Paris, in less than six hours, and passengers would be able to go from London to Constantinople, Petrograd, and by the Siberian route to the Far East without change of carriage.

Liquid Fire

How This Terrible Weapon of Destruction is Projected

The Germans have not hesitated to introduce any kind of modern weapons of offense and defense which they thought would be of advantage in their war of attrition. Conventions or accepted standards of civilization. Among these is "liquid fire," a new kind of weapon, because of its demoralizing effect upon those attacked. There have been reports that it is being used in the East, but it is the psychological effect that is sought.

The apparatus usually consists of a small tank holding about four gallons of liquid to be burned, a section of pipe from this tank, which is fitted with a nozzle and a friction joint, and a small pump. The pump is a smaller metal pipe about a yard long fitted with a nozzle and a friction joint, and a small pump. The pump is a smaller metal pipe about a yard long fitted with a nozzle and a friction joint, and a small pump. The pump is a smaller metal pipe about a yard long fitted with a nozzle and a friction joint, and a small pump.

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The Results of the British War Mission to the United States Will Have a Far-Reaching Effect, Making It Possible for the U. S. To Co-Operate More Fully With the Allies

A Serious War

Lest the U. S. Alone Should Have to Settle With Germany

Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the National City Bank, New York, in a recent Liberty Loan speech said: "I am afraid that people are not altogether awake to the seriousness of this war; not altogether comprehending that we are in a war, that we are in a very serious war—that might even come to our own shores."

"Now, just let us take one or two contingencies that are perfectly possible. We have had a revolution in Russia. No man in America or Russia can tell what the future of that revolution will be. It is surely conceivable that Russia might make a separate peace. I do not believe she will, but it is conceivable. What would happen then? It is that there are a million and a half prisoners in Russia. Suppose all the forces of the Central Powers on the Eastern border reached the front; suppose their forces were augmented by a million and a half returned prisoners; suppose Russia's food stores were opened for Germany; and all that happening very promptly, which is a conceivable thing. In that event, the armies of England, France and the United States would stand the onslaught? Is it not conceivable that if some solution is not found for the submarine menace England may be brought to the point of starvation? No matter what her weakness, she is starving men who cannot fight."

"I tell you it is within the possibilities that we may be raising the Liberty Loan to pay for a war we hope successfully to wage, but a loan to pay the cost of a war Germany will win. It is a picture of a world which is not a wild picture. I certainly do not believe it is within the possibilities of the future. It is a possibility, I believe, enough in it to cause us to wake up as a nation, to make us correct our attitude, to make us support the military movement which this government has got to make."

A German Trick

Krupp Makers Put Kibosh on Rumanian Artillery

The world at large was puzzled by the rapid and overwhelming defeat of the Rumanian army. The solution of the puzzle lies in the field of optics. Every one knows that the former friend of the Triple Alliance was propped up by Krupp guns coming directly from Essen. But very few know that, with a really devilish foresight the Prussian munition purveyors were using the same guns to level instruments by filling them with water only, instead of a salt solution whose purpose is to correct the refraction of the liquid. Of course, had the Rumanian army allied itself with the central powers this little oversight would have been corrected in time.

Russia and Freedom

The Fate of the Erstwhile Land of the Czar Unless a Miracle Happens

What fitness is there in the unlettered millions of Russia for the difficult duty of the republican citizen? It is very easy and exhilarating to march up and down a street waving red flags and acclaiming something called a revolution. It is fine to stone a minister who has had the courage to resist the duty-instilling of privilege, of law instead of loot. But though the dreamers of a new world in which all cease shall be awake, no place shall work may pour their eloquence forth, this is not self-government. The paradox in Petrograd they they demand to Utopia. They are counter-marching through anarchy back to despotism.

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Dogs Play Part in War

Thousands of Unusual Red Cross Dog Heroes Which Have Been Killed

Sylvester Allerton of London, England, who is in the U. S. to purchase dogs for the Red Cross, has been in England, told some interesting stories before starting for the Middle West.

"No one," he said, "can possibly realize the great work that dogs are doing in the great struggle abroad. The chivalry and heroism of the Red Cross dogs are perhaps well known, but there are thousands of unusual canine heroes which have been killed, maimed and wounded while serving the cause of the allies."

"Aside from the companionship of dogs, which has been such a boon to the men in the trenches, many of them have proved such excellent carriers of messages and aides in hauling provisions and duty-instilling of privilege, of law instead of loot. But though the dreamers of a new world in which all cease shall be awake, no place shall work may pour their eloquence forth, this is not self-government. The paradox in Petrograd they they demand to Utopia. They are counter-marching through anarchy back to despotism."

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Weight on the Farmers

The plow is often spoken of as being emblematic of agriculture or the work of food production. The report of the Dominion department of trade and commerce for the ten months ending January 31st, 1917, which was issued recently, contains some interesting information on "The Plow." During those ten months the farmers of Canada imported \$955,000 worth of plows, on which they paid the sum of \$191,000 in customs duties and \$75,000 in customs war tax, a total of over a million dollars. During the same time they have paid probably three times that amount in the tariff profits added to the plows which they purchased at home, bringing the total taxation on plows up to the round million. And during the same time the plow manufacturers of Canada imported \$418,000 worth of mould boards, land sides and other parts of plows duty free. This is how food production is (not) being stimulated by legislation which has been in force for over 30 years or more.—Forest, Ont. Free Press.

Good, Pass It On.

One-half the trouble in every community comes from the fact that so many people have not the judgment to keep their mouths shut. We have two ears, but only one tongue, which is suggestive of the fact that we should hear more than we tell. By the power of a secret divulged, families, churches, neighborhoods, and even nations fly apart. By the power of a secret kept, great charities, reformatory movements and christian enterprises may be advanced.—Ex.

The Presbyterian and Methodist church organizations could well take a lesson in union from the three separate Lutheran bodies that united into a large body at a big convention held at St. Paul, Minn., last month. The new organization will be known as the United Lutheran Church of America.

In the past ten days hundreds of United States soldiers from Fort Niagara have visited Toronto. If they are average specimens of the American soldiery, the German sneers at American military prowess will disappear at the first encounter.—Toronto Globe.

Keep The Dollars Moving.

Business is activity. Stagnation means decay. As there can be no life in stagnant waters, just so there can be none in stagnant business. Get this fact well in mind. Business activity comes not from hoarding, but from spending.

What would the world do without its spendthrifts? They may carry a virtue to extreme, but as to the effect on business, better far that the spendthrift continue his extremes than the hoarding of the miser prevail.

We are urged to rally to the colors; we are urged to enter the army of the furrows; we are urged to consecrate our all upon the altar of our country, and we are urged to practise the strongest kind of economy.

But quit spending? Never! That way lies business stagnation, want, and ultimate panic.

Imagine a community entirely independent of the outside world. It has a combined capital of \$100,000 which is sufficient to carry on all of its business. But the cry of "hard times" goes out, purses are closed, and the result is inevitable.

The advice is conflicting. Our advisors should employ a different term from "economy." It is right that we eliminate waste—wanton waste that brings good to none.

The Russians Carry On.

Since the revolutionary armies of Russia took the offensive ten days ago they have not relaxed in their efforts against the enemy. The renewal of the infantry fighting, this time in the Stanislaw district of Galicia, and its success, throws an encouraging light on the Russian preparations and on the fighting spirit of the armies which General Brusiloff and the war minister are leading into action.

The Austrian-German commanders must have anticipated this latest attack, but they were not able to prevent it nor to avoid the loss of many thousands of their men. From the Gulf of Riga to the Bulgarian-Romanian boundary there is no point that now is free from the possibility of an attack. The inspiration of victory seems to be spreading through the armies of Russia and presently the whole long line in the East may be aflame with the roar of combat.

German "Victories."

From the Louisville Courier-Journal:

It is not all defeats and no victories for the Germans nowadays. They are still scoring some successes over the women and children of London.

Canada's Army.

From the Toronto Daily News:

As Mr. McCoig, the Liberal member for West Kent, has said, Canada, in proportion to its population, has raised the largest voluntary army in the world's history.

DYNAMITE HAIR SEALS

Experiment Rd Pacific Coast of 200
Salmon Thieves

A Western newspaper has the following: 200 hair seals were blown to pieces by the fisheries department on the Sandheads, about halfway between Point Grey and the north light and two miles south of the Vancouver cannery. These seals have been dining on salmon in the Fraser River for some two or three years, creating such a destructive effect on the fishing industry that the authorities found it necessary to take action to eliminate the pest if possible.

A trial experiment was carried out successfully by Mr. J. McHugh, an engineer of the fisheries branch of the department of naval service. Fourteen mine cases, each containing two hundred pounds of explosives were laid in a sort of egg-shaped pattern, with a row down the centre right on the ridge of the bar and two curving rows on the outer sides. Each mine consisted of a coal oil can with explosive in the bottom, dynamite and forcible gelatine packed tight in sand and with a sand cushion on top, above that a quantity of shrapnel, then another sand cushion, tar paper and the top sealed with tar, out of which rose the wires from the primer or exploding charge in the centre of the explosive.

These wires were all connected with the main line, which were half a mile long, necessitating in all 37 separate connections. The mines were buried eight inches below the surface, and the lead wires were also buried, a buoy about half a mile from the mines marking the point at which later the boat took them up and connected with the battery.

WONDERFUL ECHOES

Remarkable Natural Echo on Bavarian Lake

Probably the finest echo which the world knows is in the Cathedral at Pisa—where the Leaning Tower is. Sing two notes and there is no reverberation; sing three, and they are at once taken up by the walls of the edifice, swelled, prolonged, and varied till they seem as a divine harmony from some majestic organ. There is a cavern in Finland in which, if you test your lungs to the top of their capacity, there will answer you such horrible roarings, moanings, and mutterings that you will be glad to rush out in absolute terror. Undoubtedly the most extraordinary natural echo in the world is to be heard by the side of a small lake in Bavaria. On one hand rises a perpendicular cliff several thousand feet high, while on the other side is a dense forest. If a pistol is fired on the lake the woods send back a faint echo that gradually dies away, but presently it is heard from the cliff, continually increasing in power till it bursts over one's head like a deafening peal of thunder.

WHY HATS WERE WORN

First Hat Worn was Invented by Swiss in 1404

A covering for the head dates back to early times, but the hat, as we understand it to-day, was invented by a Swiss manufacturer of Paris, and the first were worn in that city about 1404. The inhabitants of the northern climes many centuries ago began wearing a head covering, which in those days was usually made of fur. This was in most cases in the form of a hood. It was not until the Phrygians had conquered Asia Minor that the people of warmer latitudes wore head coverings. The Phrygians were the first to adopt the fashion, and they did it in order to distinguish themselves from the conquered race with whom they lived. The head dress was a small, closely fitting cap, which was also soon adopted by the Roman free citizens. It was first manufactured in England in 1510, and superseded caps, or soft headgear, in the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

DO THEY POSSESS FEELING?

Are Small Living Creatures Immune from Pain?

A correspondent writes: Are the sensory nerves of small living creatures less delicate than those of larger things? An angler will run a steel-barbed hook through the body of a frog, availing vital parts with care that the frog may live and struggle as long as possible to lure on fish; the farmer burns potato buds alive in kerosene oil; the fishman boils lobsters alive. These things are done with apparent indifference to the suffering inflicted.

Superstitious Celebrities

Lord Roberts had a great aversion to black cats, and could not remain in the same room with one of these animals. The Kaiser's father, Frederick III, could not look at a bunch of watercress without being seized with a shivering fit. At the sound of the word "Mexico" the late President Diaz of Mexico became sick.

Much Like Real Kings

One Indian Rajah's subjects number about half a million, and he rules over a State as big as England and Wales. He has his own flag and his own army and navy. These are maintained in an efficient state out of a revenue of \$1,750,000 a year.

How Could He Live?

A curious delusion haunted Pascal, the noted French philosopher. Although the most brilliant genius and wit of his time, he always thought he saw a yawning abyss on his left hand.

In the crop of a pigeon shot in Wiltshire, Eng., were found 45 grains of corn, enough, if matured in the ground, to produce half a sack of wheat.

Give the colt plenty of exercise and get him used to having his feet handled.

Loose feathers, broken shells, etc., about the poultry house should be removed.

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Viking

C. G. Purvis was an Edmonton
visitor over Sunday.

Pete Wangness, of Kinelsa,
visited town on Sports day.

Miss Bessie Brickman, of Phillips
spent Sunday with her friend Miss
Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Dayton, of
Irma, visited relatives in town and
country over Sports day.

Wm. Taylor left for the big fair
Saturday evening. He has two
roadsters entered for competition.

Miss Paskins, teacher of the Alice
Hill school, spent the week-end
in Edmonton.

Mrs. Wm. Moderwell and child
left for Edmonton Friday evening
to join Mr. Moderwell who is em-
ployed in a drug store there.

One of the gas well crews has
been transferred to Burdette. This
leaves only one crew at work north
of town at Well No. 8.

Miss Nell Jones returned to her
duties as "nurse" in the General
hospital after a two weeks visit with
home folks.

Mrs. M. Johnston was up from
Jarrow last Saturday. A brother of
hers recently was wounded at the
front but is recovering.

Willie Barnes, of Mance, is at
Irma today for a visit but will take
in the fair at Edmonton before re-
turning home.

Gene Parker returned from Ver-
million on Friday where he went on
business. Toleff Hazen took care of
the harness shop during his absence.

Lawrence Scott returned home
from Scott, Sask., Tuesday evening
where he has been employed on a
farm.

Bob Adams, south of town, was an
Edmonton visitor over Sunday.
He stated that the Fair crowds were
already gathering and that all the
hotels were filled up.

W. C. Parham is away to Van-
couver. He will return the latter
part of the month. Miss McKee
and Miss Sheets are taking good
care of the customers at the Owens
& Johnson store in his absence.

The carpenter crew for the new
elevator arrived Sunday and began
work Monday erecting it so as to be
ready to help take care of a share
of the big crop that is expected in
this district. It will be a 33,000 bu.
capacity elevator.

Steve Jones and family left on a
long auto tour of the principal
cities and points of interest in Al-
berta last Friday. They will take in
the Edmonton Fair, the Medicine
Hat Stampede, Calgary, Banff, Red
Deer and Lethbridge and expect to
be gone over a month. The weather
is fine so they ought to have an en-
joyable trip.

Mr. Lambert, of Edmonton, is the
new manager of the Mance
Farming Co., taking the place of
G. H. Cognat. Mr. Lambert will
build a residence on section 15 and
bring his family down from the city
to reside. He was formerly in-
terested in a large livery business
in Edmonton and a fancier and
breeder of fast horses. W. M. Lan-
cous will be retained as foreman.

G. W. Green and wife left last
Thursday evening for Burdette,
Alta., where Mr. Green will oversee
the drilling of a gas well for the
same company that is drilling here.
Mr. Green has been promoted to
general superintendent of all the
drilling operations of the company
and most of his time will be taken
up visiting the different fields.

The four year old daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dorward, re-
siding twelve miles north of town,
while playing barfoot in the yard
last Friday cut her foot between
the toes with a blade of grass. Te-
tanus (lock jaw), set in and the
child died after medical aid was of
no avail. Tetanus is a rare disease
and is seldom known to be caused
by such a trifling accident as, befall
the little girl. The parents have the
sympathy of all in their bereave-
ment.

The Kaiser's Number

Some fiend for figures in the
employ of the Great Northern rail-
road at St. Paul has devised the following:

The Kaiser is the man that start-
ed the war; Serbia is the country
where the war was started.

There are six letters in each of
these words, and if written and
divided in halves their halves will
also spell "KAISER" and "Serbia."
KAI | SER
SER | BIA

The greatest man in France is
Joffre. Apply the same rules above
and you have:

JOF | FRE

FRE—NCH

Germany claims to be the most
cultured nation in the world, and
this super-culture is termed "kul-
ture." Turkey has the least kul-
ture. Apply the rule:

KUL | TUR

TUR | KEY

And now for the Kaiser's number.
If the word "kaiser" is written
with each letter followed by the
number of its place in the alphabet,
and after these placed the signifi-
cant number 6 we have:

K—116

A—16

I—96

S—196

E—56

R—186

666

The Kaiser's number.
Six times six, plus six, is 42
months. War started in August,
1914. Add 42 months, and we
have February, 1918.

When the Kaiser started war he
was 55 years and 6 months—666
months. Having fixed the Kaiser's
number, read the thirteenth chap-
ter of Revelations 4th, 5th and 18th
verses.

These by the way are the well
known verses concerning "the
beast" and they have been applied
to many men, both ancient and
modern.

THE GAY LIFE OF A STATION AGENT.

(From the Biggar Independent.)
"We have always felt that the sta-
tion agent in a small town has a
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out the station, take care of the
fires, empty the ashes, make excuses
to the patrons for trains that are
late, ride up and down the track on
a three-legged handcar and fill the
switch lights, count the cash, do
the telegraphing for the whole town
and the railroad at the same time,
carry nine tons of baggage every
day, answer 9,000 fool questions,
take the numbers of freight cars in
the yards, work the semaphore,
keep a cool head with the train de-
spatchers, check trunks, answer the
telephone, chase the hoodlums off
the platform, pull trunks out of
box cars, watch the track for bad
rails and joints, take care of the
express, keep the water cooler filled
sell tickets two or three feet long
without making a mistake, handle
the parcel freight, carry suitcases
for old ladies, make out way bills
and figure freight rates to Honolulu
and Vancouver, B.C. After that
nothing to do till tomorrow. Ho
hum. It's a gay life.

NO REASON.

A white rose in his buttonhole
and cotton gloves upon his dirty
hands, old Bill Lofer strode down
the street.

"Why, Lofer," exclaimed a fel-
low-shirker, "wot are ye cellybratin'?"

"It's me golden weddin'," an-
swered Lofer, with quite a snirk.
"I'm cellybratin' me golden wed-
din'!"

"But why ain't yer wife celly-
bratin' it, too?" enquired the friend
"I see 'er this mornin' goin' ter
work as usual. 'Why ain't she got
a white rose an' cotton gloves'?"

"Her," exclaimed Lofer, "She
ain't got nuffin' to do with it. She's
me third!"

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The Last Straw

Charlie Chaplin says: "I didn't al-
ways make half a million a year. I
remember a season when I was
prompter in an English provincial
theatre for fifteen shillings a week."

"I worked harder than I do now, too,
in addition to keeping the actors to
their lines, I had to make all the out-
side noises."

"I thundered, I galloped like a
horse, I sang like a woman, I marched
like an army, I howled like a drink-
maddened mob, and I screamed like
a locomotive—all for fifteen shillings
a week."

"I remember one night when it
seemed that the last straw had been
heaped on me. I was letting off fe-
male shrieks of terror, and thundering
with one hand and hailing with the
other, while my right leg was working
the mean of the wind, and the left was
imitating the crash of falling trees,
when the leading man stuck his head
round at me from the stage. He was
supposed to be pursued by dogs, and
he hissed:

"Bark, you chump, bark! Why
don't you bark, you lazy shirker."

Run By Man-power



"My husband complained because
he had to hook me up the back last
night. He said there ought to be a
machine invented to do that sort of
thing."

"What did you say?"

"I told him there was—he was it!"

The Prayer He Needed
The following amusing incident was
witnessed once at a London railway
terminus. A Salvation Army lassie
was selling the "War Cry" at the win-
dows of the trains. In one of the
compartments there was a number of
"knuts," and one of them, thinking
to have some fun at the expense of
the sister, asked her if she would offer
up a word of prayer for him.

Rising to the occasion, the sister
put her hand on his head and, to the
amusement of those within hearing
distance, replied:

"O Lord, make this young man's
heart as soft as his head."

An attorney was cross-examining a
witness.

"You say you left London on the
sixteenth," queried the lawyer.

"Yes, sir," replied the witness.

"And returned on the twenty-
eighth?"

"What were you doing in the in-
terim?"

"I never was in such a place!" he
replied indignantly.

Poor Fellow!



First Laborer: "Yer know, it's hard
luck on Bill being short-sighted."

Second Laborer: "Why? He doesn't
need good eyes for our job!"

First Laborer: "No; but he can't
see when the foreman's coming, so 'e
'as to keep on working all the time."

Must Observe Rules

Old Lady: "Well, now that I have
paid a ticket for the dog, I suppose
he's entitled to a seat in the street
car?"

Conductor: "Yes, mum; but he must
conform to the rules, and keep his feet
off the cushions."

Couldn't Be Done

The Officer (looking down at Tom-
mes in trench): "You're too deep."

The Voice (with painful recollec-
tions of "Form fours, two deep!"): "Well, 'ang it all, we can't form fours
here, can we?"—Sketch.

Doubtful

Spendley: "Well, if my money
should go, dearest, you'd still have
me!"

Mrs. Spendley: "Don't you be too
sure about that!"

"I trust we shall make you feel
quite at home," remarked the hotel
manager.

"Don't you try it," expostulated the
visitor. "I want to have a good time!"

A Wise Maxim

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unless you are sure that he cannot
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A minister in a small Scotch town had delivered his first sermon, and he was anxious as to how it was received by the congregation, he said. After the services the pastor met one of his friends on the street. "Sandy how did you like my sermon?" he asked. "It was ver'ra weel," replied Sandy, "except for three things." "What were they?" "Weel," said Sandy, "in the first place, you read the sermon; in the second place, you didna read it ver'ra weel; and in the third place, it wasna worth reading."

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Tuesday, July 31st, Irma fair.

Monday, July 16th, entries close for the standing field crop competition, Irma Agri. Society.

Saturday, July 28th, entries close for Irma Fair.

More or Less Funny.

A lot of books in the house may be well thumbed but it isn't the Bible.

Phonographs are not the only things that repeat what is told to them.

While it takes two to make a bargain, only one gets it.

A man likes to add a few years on to it so he will be young looking for his age. But a woman isn't built that way.

Follow your own advice for a day and you'll learn why other people do not pay much attention to what you say.

This weather kind of puts a muffer on those who hang on the "nice weather it used to be back east."

It isn't hard to tell the head of the family. She wears a larger and more expensive hat.

Your wife may not be such a brilliant woman but give her credit for keeping you from making a fool of yourself often than you do.

The reason some people buy cars is because other people buy cars. The reason most of us don't is because we ain't got the price.

The "midnight oil" that is burned by the young people of today is usually gasoline.

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CAMPING IN WEST WITH AUTOMOBILES

How to Spend the Night in Woods of the Coast Province—Trailer Increases Accessibility

And now have come the days of the automobile camper, writes a Westerner. The fact that any well-built car can penetrate into all good fishing and camping country in British Columbia, with the exception of the big game localities, has led to the development of the automobile as a means of transportation to good hunting and fishing grounds. As many of the best of the latter are located where there is no inn, and so far away that a return home leaves but little time for sport, some sort of camping adjacent to the automobile has been very desirable.

Tents vs. Trailers
It was soon realized that the car itself made an excellent framework to secure at least one wall of the tent, and so especial designs were made to fit an automobile frame, with a jointed pole carried in the car along with the other dulle, and this tent, called the automobile tent, was put on the market.

It became at once very popular with automobilists, and is still so. As the car cannot get far in from the road, and good level tent sites, near spring water and yet near an accessible lumber road, are hard to find, the automobile camping idea developed, tents, kitchen and ice box—is carried on a two-wheeled trailer so as to be immediately available as a comfortable forest home.

Take the Horse Along
When in the course of a trip if one strikes a bit of stream or a good hunting upland contiguous to the road, one of the things one does not want to do is to pack up and go to the next camp, possibly far worse, and finally end up in some roadhouse emphatically of the kind where comforts and rural and the grub old stand brought up from the city a year before. Here is where the trailer shines. Like the hunter with his pack on his back, your home is right with you; camp is where you are and you do not have to pass on with a sigh to get up at unheard-of hours to make a trip before dawn in the car to be on your grounds by daylight.

MOTORING AT PACIFIC

Where Tourists with Trailer or Tent May Be Happy

The splendid roads of British Columbia are a boon to the tourist, says a Vancouver writer. Vancouver is a tourist's paradise. Here are found modern roads beyond compare, in a veritable wonderland of scenic beauties and primitive surroundings. The southern part of the island is a highly improved section, while the northern extremities are almost wholly unknown and contain numberless wild animals and a wealth of natural resources. Good roads penetrate far into the interior.

The highways throughout the Boundary country are famous, while the Cariboo road, with its wealth of historic lore and numerous connecting links, is the scenic highway par excellence. Then there are the many short trips to Vancouver, trips requiring but a half day for their enjoyment and which afford an excellent opportunity for getting out into the open.

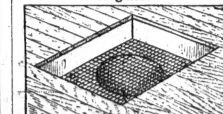
As much of our best hunting and fishing is nowadays reached by car, in places inaccessible from the railroad and only to be otherwise reached by back packing or taking a chance on getting a country rig to get you on the spot, and, since the car gives every hunter and fisherman a wide radius of sport within car distances of his home, the trailer or tent solves the problem of how to get there and stay there to get your fill of the sport instead of having to drive back home through the night.

RAIN COULD KILL US

Atmosphere Saves Our Lives from Nature's Bombardment

A scientific man writes: The fiercest bombardment conceivable would not be nearly so destructive to human life as an ordinary shower of rain. It were not for the protective covering of our atmosphere. We live, move, and have our being at the bottom of an air room forty miles or more deep. Therefore, we are safe, not only from falling raindrops, but from meteorites and other wandering bodies from outer spaces. But, supposing that it were possible for human beings to exist in an atmosphere that rose only a few feet above their heads, and that storm clouds could form in the region outside such a low-grade atmosphere, then every raindrop would prove as fatal to earthly creatures as if it were a steel bullet fired from a dynamite gun.

Catch-All Screen Inside Hot-Air Register



In order to recover small articles dropped through the floor-register grating of a hot-air heating system without the necessity of removing a section of the pipe, mesh gratings like that shown were fitted into place. Number six gauge wire mesh was used in places just large enough to fit into the metal box below the register. Access to the screen may be had by removing the grating.—Popular Mechanics.

Lord Portman, of Dorset, Eng., who was eighty-seven years of age in 1917, and lived under five sovereigns.

About ten per cent. of the total cultivated area of India is under wheat.

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Wheat—	
No. 1 Northern.....	204
No. 2	201
No. 3	196
No. 4	184
Oats—	
No. 2 CW.....	59
No. 1 feed, extra.....	56
Feed.....	53
Barley—	
No. 3.....	100
No. 4.....	93
Rye—	
No. 1.....	160
No. 2.....	150
Flax—	
No. 1 NW.....	227
No. 2 NW.....	224
No. 3 NW.....	202
Potatoes, per bus.....	75
Butter, per lb.....	25
Eggs, per doz.....	20
Flour.....	6.70
Sugar.....	2.25
Beef cows, per lb.....	4.5
Steers, per lb.....	5.64
Mutton, per lb.....	8
Hogs, per lb tops.....	13
Hay, per ton.....	5.00
Coal, per ton.....	5.00 to 5.50

Strayed—from the S. E. 4 of Sec. 35-16-9 with, 3-yr-old bay filly, white star in forehead, roached mane, tail cut square (black), rangy built, not very fat, had slight cough when turned out. Any information thankfully received by Mrs. Wm. E. Walker, Box 871, Irma, Alberta. 22atf

STRAYED—On the farm of Hy Kasten, SE 13-45-9, one bay gelding, 7 years old wt about 1200, black parts, spot on forehead. Brands RERH.

STRAYED—On Thursday night, May 31st, 1 dark Sorrel horse, white strip in forehead, wt 95. 11 yrs old, branded on left jaw, 2 on right hip, large cowbell strapped to neck. Reward. Finder, take up animal, and notify A.C. Anderson, c/o C. J. Knudson, Irma. 3

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